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Sir:

Pursuant to the Office Action dated October 1, 2002, and the Examiner's request to file a new declaration, the Applicant hereby submits the enclosed Reissue Declaration. In the response filed December 20, 2002, and received by the USPTO on December 27, 2002, the undersigned attorney asked that the new declaration be held in abeyance in order to prepare the new declaration and have the inventor review and execute the same.

Applicant respectfully requests acceptance of the enclosed Reissue Declaration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Reissue Declaration